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## REVOLUTION THREATENS BULGARIA; I. W. W. IN RUSS PLOT

### ADMINISTRATION IN PUBLIC STATEMENT SAYS SHORTAGE OF SUGAR NOT MYTHICAL

DEMANDS OF ALLIES CAUSE UNPRECEDENTED SHIPMENTS ABROAD—CUBAN STOCK-JOBBER STORY IS DENIED FLATLY BY WHITE HOUSE AFTER UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO PUT FACTS BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Supporting the action of the federal food control bureau under Herbert Hoover, the White House has made public a statement on the sugar shortage, after an unsuccessful effort was made to place the statement before the senate sub-committee investigating the shortage.

It was before this committee that Claus Spreckels declared that Hoover and the sugar control officials had discriminated in favor of coast refiners and that the shortage was unnecessary. The White House statement says that before the war the Allies produced much of their own sugar supply and procured the rest from Germany.

Then, that is, before the war, the Allies took 300,000 tons annually from the western hemisphere. Now these Allies take 1,400,000 tons annually from the same part of the world, creating an unprecedented demand for Cuban and domestic sugars.

The shortage will continue for the next year, and the shortage then will amount to 300,000 tons below the normal supply unless the Allies go to Java for their supply, says the statement, and it adds emphatically:

"If the statements that there will be an abundance of sugar are believed by the American public it will do the country's war efforts incalculable harm."

The statement denies the charge that sugar stocks were permitted to remain unopened, causing an artificial shortage, and also that sugar was left in Cuba while an effort was made to "bear" down Cuban prices.

### RUSSIAN MASSES LOYAL TO ALLE SAYS RED CROSS MAN

Dr. William S. Thayer, Noted Physician, Just Back From Russia Declares Majority Is Opposed to Cessation of War Against Germany Until Honorable Peace Is Secured

"Russia is still loyal to the Allies and their cause, even though the present government in Petrograd is seeking peace with Germany. The Maximalist and Bolshevik parties represent but a fraction of the great Russian population. The majority of the population is utterly opposed to stopping the war with Germany until an honorable peace has been secured."

This is the only comment which Dr. William Sydney Thayer, who is returning from a Red Cross mission to Russia, would authorize for publication today while in Honolulu. Of the conditions which have led up to the present chaotic state and the street fighting which occurred in Moscow at the overthrow of the Kerensky government he felt more free to speak.

Dr. Thayer is one of a trio of noted physicians, Thayer, Osler and Welch, formerly connected with the Johns Hopkins University and hospital in Baltimore.

For many years he was an associate physician of the Johns Hopkins hospital and professor of clinic medicine in the university. Besides belonging to the prominent medical associations of America, he is an honorary member of the Therapeutic Society of Moscow and is known as an authority on typhoid and malaria.

Dr. Thayer went to Russia with the Red Cross mission in July. He was in Moscow when the revolution started which deposed the Kerensky. The fighting was much more severe in Moscow than in Petrograd and lasted for nearly a week, he says. The defense against the revolutionists was made by cadet officers and the number of wounded and killed was much larger than it was in the spring when the Nevskii in Petrograd was swept by machine guns.

The doctor is reticent about telling what has been accomplished by the Red Cross in Russia, as he is to make an official report, but says that the organization has continued to send out supplies from Moscow and other headquarters.

Harbin, Siberia, is not as bad as it has been painted, he thinks, although there is little police protection at night. He denies emphatically that

### ATROCITIES BY GERMANS BEGIN; SENTRY MURDERED

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 26.—German atrocities against American soldiers in France have already been begun and yesterday were made the subject of an official report by a commander. The report says that an American sentry was found dead, his throat cut. It is declared, after examination, that the man was first captured and then killed by cutting his throat.

### MINE BLAST IN JAPAN KILLS 361; GERMANS BLAMED

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 26.—An explosion in the Kirino coal mine on Monday caused the death of 361 laborers and hundreds of others were injured. Only 40 out of the number employed in the mine were saved. It is rumored that the catastrophe is the result of a German plot.

### U-BOAT AWAITED U. S. OFFICERS

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
AN ATLANTIC PORT, Dec. 26.—Passengers arriving at this port yesterday say that at least one proved instance a German submarine crew had been sighted in the harbor, carrying American officers. It is declared that the crew of this submarine, which was captured while moving undersea and later sunk, knew the movements of the steamer in question, and that the submarine lay in wait for the vessel to sink her. That the sneaking tactics of the U-boat was not successful was due to the vigilance of the convoying vessel, which repelled the planned attack and later drove the submarine to capture, say the passengers.

### PERSHING MAKES DEATH REPORTS

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—General J. J. Pershing, commanding the American expedition, yesterday reported the death of Lieutenant James Paul, killed in an aviation accident, and of two privates, who were killed in action on November 13. He reports that of the deaths recorded, two died of wounds, two from accidents and six from natural causes.

### ARIZONA GOVERNOR TURNS OFFICE BACK TO BOURBON OPPONENT

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
PHOENIX, Arizona, Dec. 26.—Thos. Campbell, declared by the state supreme court to be holding the governorship illegally, yesterday turned it over to his Democratic opponent in the election, W. P. Hunt. The transfer was made at a ceremony without features. Hunt had previously announced that he would retire in Campbell's favor.

### MOTHER, SIX CHILDREN, BURNED TO DEATH IN FIRE STILL MYSTERY

(Associated Press by Cable)  
GREENWOOD, South Carolina, Dec. 26.—Mrs. J. L. Whitman and her six children, ranging in age from three to 13, were burned to death in their home here on Christmas Eve, the cause of the fire being still unknown.

### FRENCH TO HOLD NO MORE ELECTIONS TILL GREAT WAR IS ENDED

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
PARIS, France, Dec. 26.—The chamber of deputies yesterday passed a resolution extending the terms of all elective officers until the end of the war, without elections in the interim.

"None of the plantations have notified us in regard to the white ant pest breaking out," declared H. P. Agee, director of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association experimental station, this morning, "so that I don't think there is anything in the report that the pest is present on either Oahu, Honolulu or Waialea plantation."

### First War Christmas For America; Fourth For Battling Europe

The Associated Press last night summed up the world-war situation as follows:

America's first war Christmas for many years finds her loyal sons of the United States in training camps here and in France, and guarding the ocean lanes against enemy submarines.

This is the fourth war Christmas of the leading belligerents of Europe. For the first time in a century Bethlehem and Jerusalem, where occurred most of the important events in the life of Him whose natal day is commemorated, are in the hands of Christians.

On Christmas Day military events over the great theater of war were almost at a standstill, except on the Italian front, where the Austro-Germans persisted in their efforts to break the Italian line.

Last Christmas, the world was discussing the terms of peace then put forth by the Central Powers. Today, it is reported, would be again marked by a proffer from the countries held under way of German military autocracy.

The Bolshevik negotiations have progressed so far that it is understood the Russians will receive the Teutonic answer today to their proposals, the answer professing to desire peace, which, say the Entente Powers, cannot be accepted with honor.

### BANDITS OF MEXICO IN BORDER RAID

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 26.—News reached here yesterday that an American stage driver was hanged and his throat cut by Mexican bandits who raided the border town of Candelaria. The bandits held up the stage, looted it and killed the stage driver. Cavalry detachments are pursuing them.

### Red Cross 'Drive' Brings More Than Thirteen Million

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Announcement was made here today that the Red Cross Christmas "drive" has netted more than 13,000,000 members, bringing the total to 18,000,000.

### COAST MARINER DIES, AGED 61

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 26.—Capt. George Scott, a director of the Dollar Steamship Company and for several years a pilot in and out of this harbor, died yesterday, aged 61. He was widely known in coast marine circles.

### NEWLANDS' DEATH DELAYS INQUIRY INTO RAILWAYS SITUATION

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The death on Monday night of Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, chairman of the senate committee on interstate commerce, has delayed the railway inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the demands for higher wages made by the brotherhoods and the suggestions for unification of the roads under federal supervision.

### PRESIDENT AND WIFE SPEND QUIET CHRISTMAS; RAINS IN WASHINGTON

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—President and Mrs. Wilson and members of their families spent Christmas mostly in the White House. The president and his wife went to church in the morning. It rained most of the day and they did not spend the holiday in the open.

### Americans Bring Joy To French

Soldiers Play Santa Claus to Thousands of Youngsters and Refugee Families; Grim War Put Aside With Santa as "Commanding Officer" for Holiday

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 26.—Calling a halt in the grim business of war for the happier duty of celebrating a patriotic Christmas, the officers and soldiers of the American expeditionary force yesterday took part in the most unique holiday ever observed by Americans on foreign soil.

The expeditionaries really began their celebration at sundown on Monday night, when with one accord the thousands of men capitulated to Santa Claus and put aside temporarily their martial task.

At dusk on Monday a light snow was falling and there was no danger of an offensive from the enemy on that section of the front held by the Americans. All the soldiers but those few most necessary quit their duties on the front lines, and at the bases and camps behind the lines, and started to do the bidding of the "Jovial saint," temporarily designated as the "commanding officer" of the American expeditionary force.

Rush to Open Packages  
For days huge loads of Christmas packages had been arriving and these were received and held undisturbed in the camps. Immediately after the cessation of military work the packages were given to the various commands and there was a great rush to open them.

Scenes of the late war were slow in being delivered at the docks of the French ports where the American supplies enter. In order to get it to the men of Pershing's army it was put on swift motor trucks and lorries and these rushed at full speed to the various camps.

The headquarters of the first division which landed had a huge celebration, elaborate in detail and of the most wholesomely festive character. The great Y. M. C. A. "hut" was commandeered for the occasion and this structure was the center of the festivities. The curious French children, who flocked around the hall were excluded by sentries in a humorously stern manner, the soldiers entering into the fun quite as much as did the half-wondering youngsters.

Pretty Ceremony Held  
When the door was opened a beautiful program reminiscent of the sacred character of the occasion was given, beginning with a procession of children, mostly French, decked in their best clothes and accompanied by their mothers or refugees driven from the land occupied by the Germans and now seeing for the first time the happiness of an American Christmas.

Suddenly, as the procession of children appeared, ready to enter the hall, the lights flashed on, revealing not only one but a miniature forest of Christmas trees, decked with gay toys, candy, fruit and lighted candles, while around the bases were piled boxes of toys and clothing.

When Santa Claus appeared, a great, stalwart figure in the traditional costume, it suddenly dawned on the crowd of children, their mothers and other relatives and friends, and especially the refugees, that it was not only a Christmas for "les Sammies," but for themselves also. The soldiers themselves had provided gifts for the children and poor families and practically the entire American division watched the distribution of gifts.

Not a Child Forgotten  
Not a child among the thousands was forgotten. Each child received an individual gift. Then the soldiers distributed candies, fruits and toys. The children laughed and cried with happiness, and many of the mothers broke down and cried also, while not a few of the big soldiers in their uniforms furtively wiped their eyes.

Similar entertainments were held at all bases and camps where the Americans are quartered. Great, toothsome "turkey dinners" were served, there was a generous distribution of "smokes" and candy, and in all the expeditionary force spent a real American Christmas.

### POPE REJOICES IN JERUSALEM FREED FROM TURK MASTERY

ROME, Italy, Dec. 26.—Pope Benedict on Christmas Day received the members of the Sacred College and exchanged with them Christmas greetings. He also renewed to them recommendations for incessant prayers for peace and declared that all Christians should rejoice in the liberation from heathen rule of Jerusalem and a large part of the Holy Land.

Additional telegraphic news on Page 10 today

### U. S. AGENTS EXPOSE I. W. W. CONNECTION WITH BOLSHEVIKI AND OTHER ANARCHY ELEMENTS

World-Wide Intrigue to Overthrow All Existing Governments Is Bared—Vessel With Arms Arrives at American Port - All Crews Hereafter to Be Searched

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
PETROGRAD, Russia, Dec. 26.—News has been received here of revolutionary plots flaming up against Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria. Conditions in Bulgaria are said to be greatly disturbed. This news confirms previous reports that a revolution in Bulgaria was developing.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—U. S. government agents have uncovered evidence tending to show that the I. W. W. is working with the Bolshevik element in Russia and with other anarchistic and rabid Socialist elements in a world-wide plot to overthrow all the existing orders of society, all government and all rule of officials.

The steamer Shilka arriving at a Pacific port from Russia has been discovered to carry arms and ammunition, and this is but one of several instances in which arms are being sent to the United States from the ultra-radicals of Russia.

Because of this and other incidents, a federal inspection of all crews of incoming vessels was ordered yesterday.

### WHARF MAIL BARRED BY CENSORSHIP

All Letters Must Go Through Postoffice; Lines Violating Rule Liable to Fine

No more mail, whether in government stamped envelopes or not, will be accepted at the gangways of steamers departing from Honolulu, if the order put into effect today by the Pacific Mail is followed out by the other steamship lines. If they do they will render themselves liable to a fine of \$10,000 or imprisonment for the person held as guilty.

It is the censorship law prohibiting the taking out or bringing in of any form of communication which has not passed through the ordinary channels of the postoffice service which makes this order necessary. The federal act places the carrying out of the law in the treasury department, through the customs inspectors, who are required to search the persons and baggage of all passengers leaving or entering an American port.

While the law is primarily intended to check communication with the enemy, it also provides a check on communication by indirect means, through correspondents of the Central Powers who may be or are located in neutral or allied countries.

This being the case, the paragraph of the act providing punishment for its violation does not specify that such illegal communication should necessarily be proven as intended for the enemy, as the following extract plainly shows:

It is unlawful for any person to send, or take out of, or bring into, or attempt to send, or to take out, or to bring into the United States, any letter or other writing of tangible form of communication, except in the regular course of the mails, and the violator is subject, upon conviction, to a fine of not more than \$10,000, or to imprisonment for not more than 10 years or both.

An order issued by the San Francisco office of a local shipping agency states, based on the requirements of the treasury department rulings regarding the "Enemy Act," as approved by the executive order of October 12, is given:

"In the future, all mail must be refused, except it has passed through the United States post office or is handed to you by Customs officials in the employ of the Collector of Customs who have censored the mail and then placed it in your hands for delivery on board our vessel."

### SENECA'S 1917 SUGAR TAKES OLD FREIGHT RATE

Not all of the sugar cargo of the Seneca, approximating 7000 tons, will have to pay the new freight rate of \$15 a ton to New York via the canal. The 1917 sugar which she carries, amounting to about two-thirds of her cargo, will go at the old rate of \$9.50 a ton. The 1918 sugar she carries, however, will take the higher rate. Contrary to expectation the Seneca did not clean up all the 1917 crops. There is still some of this year's sugar at Big Island points.

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
PETROGRAD, Russia, Dec. 26.—The Bolshevik leaders announce that Gen. Korniloff, who has been stoutly opposing them, has been defeated in a battle near Bielgorod, his machine guns and munitions captured, and his troops suffering severe casualties.

The Bolsheviks were reported late yesterday to be attacking the town of Kharkov, 400 miles south of Moscow, and the railroads serving the south of Moscow country. It is declared that much of this country is now in control of the Bolsheviks, who are stopping Cossack troops on trains bound for the north.

### LITTLE ACTIVITY ON CHRISTMAS DAY EXCEPT UPON ITALIAN FRONT

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 26.—For most of Christmas Day there was little activity on any of the war fronts except the Italian. However, late in the day there was evident an increase of artillery fighting in the Verdun region, indicating the apparent intention of the Germans to keep the French well occupied, or it might mean a renewed effort of the Teutons to break through in this sector.

The Italian battle last night was reported as raging on the Piave front with little diminished violence.

### BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE, Dec. 26.—A British air-squadron on Christmas Day bombed Mannheim. Numerous fires were started from the ton of bombs dropped on the German town.

### PAY TO GERMAN WAR PRISONERS BARRED BY U. S.

Germany's refusal to reply to a proposal from the United States regarding the payment of officers held prisoners of war has been answered by an order from Secretary of War Newton D. Baker that no further pay to German soldiers held in this country be issued. A cable message received today by Brig. Gen. John F. Wesser, commanding the Hawaiian department, says: "Germany having failed to make reply to agreement proposed by our government through neutral diplomatic channels regarding pay to commissioned officers held prisoner of war, secretary of war directs no further payments be made such prisoners in custody of the United States until Germany expresses willingness to reciprocate."

No German prisoners of war are held in Hawaii at present, so far as known. It is customary in cases of this kind to allow the commissioners of an enemy country the pay given its own officers of corresponding grade by the country holding the prisoners.